INITIATIVE 890

I, Sam Reed, Secretary of State of the State of Washington and custodian of its seal, hereby certify that, according to the records on file in my office, the attached copy of Initiative Measure No. 890 to the People is a true and correct copy as it was received by this office.

- AN ACT Relating to smoking in public places and places of employment; amending RCW 70.160.020, 70.160.030, 70.160.050, and 70.160.070; adding new sections to chapter 70.160 RCW; repealing RCW 70.160.010, 70.160.040, and 70.160.900; and providing an effective date.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 7 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. INTENT AND FINDINGS. The people of the 8 State of Washington recognize that exposure to secondhand smoke is 9 known to cause cancer in humans. Secondhand smoke is a known cause of 10 other diseases including pneumonia, asthma, bronchitis, and heart 11 Citizens are often exposed to secondhand smoke in the 12 workplace, and are likely to develop chronic, potentially fatal diseases as a result of the exposure. In order to protect the health 13 14 and welfare of all citizens, including workers in their places of 15 employment, it is necessary to prohibit smoking in public places and 16 workplaces.
- 17 **Sec. 2.** RCW 70.160.020 and 1985 c 236 s 2 are each amended to read
- 18 as follows:

As used in this chapter, the following terms have the meanings indicated unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

- (1) "Smoke" or "smoking" means the carrying or smoking of any kind of lighted pipe, cigar, cigarette, or any other lighted smoking equipment.
- (2) "Public place" means that portion of any building or vehicle used by and open to the public, regardless of whether the building or vehicle is owned in whole or in part by private persons or entities, the state of Washington, or other public entity, and regardless of whether a fee is charged for admission, including a presumptively reasonable minimum distance, as set forth in section 6 of this act, around such buildings and vehicles. A public place does not include a private residence unless the private residence is used to provide licensed child care, foster care, adult care, or other similar social service care on premises.

Public places include, but are not limited to: Elevators, public conveyances or transportation facilities, museums, concert halls, theaters, auditoriums, exhibition halls, indoor sports arenas, hospitals, nursing homes, health care facilities or clinics, enclosed shopping centers, retail stores, retail service establishments, financial institutions, educational facilities, ticket areas, public hearing facilities, state legislative chambers and immediately adjacent hallways, public restrooms, libraries, restaurants, waiting areas, lobbies, bars, taverns, bowling alleys, skating rinks, nontribal casinos, and reception areas. A public place does not include a private residence. This chapter is not intended to restrict smoking in private facilities which are occasionally open to the public except upon the occasions when the facility is open to the public.

(3) (("Restaurant" means any building, structure, or area used, maintained, or advertised as, or held out to the public to be, an enclosure where meals are made available to be consumed on the premises, for consideration of payment)) "Place of employment" means any area under the control of a public or private employer through which employees are required to pass during the course of employment, including entrances and exits to the areas, and a presumptively reasonable minimum distance around such areas, as set forth in section 6 of this act.

Places of employment include, but are not limited to, work areas, restrooms, conference and classrooms, break rooms and cafeterias, and

- 1 other common areas. A private residence or home-based business, unless
- 2 used to provide licensed child care, foster care, adult care, or other
- 3 similar social service care is not a place of employment under this
- 4 <u>chapter</u>.

- **Sec. 3.** RCW 70.160.030 and 1985 c 236 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:
- No person may smoke in a public place ((except in designated smoking areas)) or in any place of employment.
- **Sec. 4.** RCW 70.160.050 and 1985 c 236 s 5 are each amended to read 10 as follows:
- Owners, or in the case of a leased or rented space the lessee or other person in charge, of a place regulated under this chapter shall ((make every reasonable effort to)) prohibit smoking in public places and places of employment by posting signs prohibiting ((or permitting)) smoking as appropriate under this chapter. Signs shall be posted conspicuously at each building entrance. In the case of retail stores and retail service establishments, signs shall be posted conspicuously at each entrance and in prominent locations throughout the place. ((The boundary between a nonsmoking area and a smoking permitted area shall be clearly designated so that persons may differentiate between the two areas.))
- **Sec. 5.** RCW 70.160.070 and 1985 c 236 s 7 are each amended to read 23 as follows:
 - (1) Any person intentionally violating this chapter by smoking in a public place ((not designated as a smoking area)) or place of employment or any person removing, defacing, or destroying a sign required by this chapter is subject to a civil fine of up to one hundred dollars. Any person passing by or through a public place while on a public sidewalk or public rights of way has not intentionally violated this chapter. Local law enforcement agencies shall enforce this section in the same manner as traffic infractions are enforced by issuing a notice of infraction ((to be assessed in the same manner as traffic infractions)). The provisions contained in chapter 46.63 RCW for the disposition of traffic infractions apply to the disposition of infractions for violation of this subsection except as follows:

(a) The provisions in chapter 46.63 RCW relating to the provision of records to the department of licensing in accordance with RCW 46.20.270 are not applicable to this chapter; and

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- (b) The provisions in chapter 46.63 RCW relating to the imposition of sanctions against a person's driver's license or vehicle license are not applicable to this chapter.
- ((The form for the notice of infraction for a violation of this subsection shall be prescribed by rule of the supreme court.))
- (2) When violations of RCW ((70.160.040 or)) 70.160.050 occur, a warning shall first be given to the owner or other person in charge. Any subsequent violation is subject to a civil fine of up to one hundred dollars. Each day upon which a violation occurs or is permitted to continue constitutes a separate violation.
- (3) Local ((fire departments or fire districts shall enforce RCW 70.160.040 or 70.160.050 regarding the duties of owners or persons in control of public places, and local)) health departments shall enforce RCW ((70.160.040 or)) 70.160.050 regarding the duties of owners ((of restaurants)) or persons in control of public places and places of employment by either of the following actions:
 - (a) Serving notice requiring the correction of any violation; or
- (b) Calling upon the city or town attorney or county prosecutor or local health department attorney to maintain an action for an injunction to enforce RCW ((70.160.040 and)) 70.160.050, to correct a violation, and to assess and recover a civil penalty for the violation.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. PRESUMPTIVELY REASONABLE DISTANCE. As used in this chapter, a presumptively reasonable minimum distance is twenty-five feet from entrances, exits, opening windows, and ventilation intakes that serve an enclosed area where smoking is prohibited so as to ensure that tobacco smoke does not enter the area through entrances, exits, opening windows, or other means. Owners, operators, managers, employers, or other persons who own or control a public place or place of employment may seek to rebut the presumption that twenty-five feet is a reasonable minimum distance by applying to the director of the local health department or district in which the public place or place of employment is located. The presumption will be rebutted if the applicant can show by clear and convincing evidence that, given the unique circumstances presented by the location of entrances, exits, opening windows, or ventilation intakes, or other

- 1 factors, smoke will not infiltrate or reach the entrances, exits,
- 2 opening windows, or ventilation intakes or enter into such public place
- 3 or place of employment and, therefore, the public health and safety
- 4 will be adequately protected by a lesser distance.
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 7.** The following acts or parts of acts are each 6 repealed:
- 7 (1) RCW 70.160.010 (Legislative intent) and 1985 c 236 s 1;
- 8 (2) RCW 70.160.040 (Designation of smoking areas in public places--
- 9 Exceptions--Restaurant smoking areas--Entire facility or area may be
- designated as nonsmoking) and 1985 c 236 s 4; and
- 11 (3) RCW 70.160.900 (Short title--1985 c 236) and 1985 c 236 s 10.
- 12 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 8.** TITLE. This act shall be known as the
- 13 "Washington Workplace Clean Indoor Air Act."
- 14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 9.** Captions used in this act are not part of
- 15 the law.
- 16 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 10.** EFFECTIVE DATE. This act takes effect
- 17 January 1, 2005.
- 18 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 11.** Sections 1, 6, and 8 through 10 of this act
- 19 are each added to chapter 70.160 RCW.

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